

## Work Will Continue On Elba Levee, Trucks And Mules Being Paid For As 'Labor'

Work has been resumed on the Elba levee following advice from Washington that arrangements had been made to continue trucks and teams, counting these as labor. This information was received by Mayor J. O. English through telegrams from Senator Bankhead and Congressman Steagall, and also from a telephone conversation with W. M. Branson, who is in Washington with the Elba delegation.

Although work is going forward on the project now, full details of the readjusted program have not been worked out and local officials do not know just how many men will be continued, unless some further arrangements about labor quotas are made. At present all quotas are gradually being cut and if the levee project is not put on a special quota, it will not be many weeks before the force will be cut to such a small number that the work will be very limited.

The Elba delegation in Washington was asked to look into this matter before it returns, and it is hoped that a special provision will be made for continuing the work. The quota has already been cut to practically half, and an effort will be made to get it increased, or at least held up to the present level, so that the work may proceed with satisfaction.

The following article in regard to the work is taken from Wednesday's Montgomery Advertiser:

Work on levee construction at Elba and Geneva, at a standstill for the past week because of restrictions on team and truck hire, is expected to be resumed today, following notice to Thad Holt, Alabama CWA director, of a ruling by the Washington office that teams and trucks, when driven by owners, may be counted in the labor quota of the counties.

The effect of this ruling will be to restore the greater part of the teams and trucks on the two projects, without which the work could not be carried on, but at the expense of other labor in the county. In other words, Mr. Holt explained, since the team and truck hire included in the labor quota for each county, it means that for every team or truck and owner employed that another CWA laborer must be laid off elsewhere in the county.

It also means, Mr. Holt said, that the number of teams and trucks will be subject to reduction each week as the demobilization program is carried on.

Notice of this ruling was contained in telegrams to Mr. Holt by Congressman Lister Hill, who had been active in behalf of the Flood-control project, and Senator John H. Bankhead. Similar notices were received by Mayor O. English of Elba in telegrams from Congressman Henry B. Steagall.

Senator Hugh Black, Mr. Holt said, also had been active in urging continuation of the work.

Mr. Holt last night had not ascertained whether the ruling classifying teams and trucks driven by owners as part of labor expenditures instead of material, as heretofore, shall apply to the State as a whole.

In the event such ruling does apply to the State, he said, it will permit an increase in material expenditures of about \$250,000 a week, or approximately \$200,000 for the period to May 1, when the CWA program will be completed. The limit on material expenditures had previously been set at \$500,000 for the period, which was to include all truck and team hire.

Congressman Hill's telegram to Ray Crow, State engineer of the CWA, advised:

"Your telegram. Follows has wired you supplement to Carmody's message advising you all truck and team hire operated by owners of same can be carried on payroll as labor. This supplemental wire should enable you to go ahead with Floodation project. If any further

difficulties arise please wire me. Thanks. LISTER HILL, M. C."

A similar wire was received by Director Holt from Senator Bankhead, as follows:

"Understand Hopkins wired permission to classify teams and trucks as labor carried on payroll in districts. J. H. BANKHEAD."

Congressman Steagall's telegram to Mayors Fleming and English advised:

"Washington office is wiring Holt authorizing him to count teams and trucks as labor in order to clear the way for continuance of construction of levees at Elba and Geneva. This seems to remove the difficulty for the present."

"HENRY B. STEAGALL."

Ray Crow, State engineer, estimated that the ruling would permit the placing of 60 teams and 30 trucks on the project at Elba today (Wednesday). He emphasized, however, that the teams and trucks must be driven by owners, and that no substitute drivers could be used.

At Geneva, where about 100 teams or trucks were formerly employed, he estimated that about 75 would be put to work. All drivers would be counted as part of the quota of workers for the respective counties, he said.

Regarding the Floodation project, on which work has not yet been started, Engineer Crow expressed some doubt that it was feasible to undertake the project just now. This is because the quota of CWA workers for the county is low, and will be reduced weekly, as in other counties, raising the question of whether the work that could be done by May 1 would be worth while, inasmuch as the CWA program will end at that time. Mr. Crow said he would discuss the question with Inverness Keenan, engineer, upon his return from Washington.

The Elba and Geneva projects, which are 20 per cent or more completed, will also require much longer than May 1 to complete, and arrangements will have to be made in some way for continuation of the work after May 1. If the projects are to be carried out much longer than May 1, Governor Miller yesterday replied a reply from his telegram to Mayor Holt that the Federal Civil Works Administration, in which he explained that it was the purpose of the CWA to demobilize by May 1, and that funds have been provided for the care of the families of the emergency relief agencies in the State.

### Managers Have Been Named For Co. Farmers' Exchanges

The Farmers' Exchanges at Elba and Enterprise now have managers. Buford Manning was appointed by the Board of Directors of the Enterprise Exchange to handle the business of their organization. E. A. Grimes was appointed manager for the Elba Exchange.

Farmers wishing to purchase supplies (fertilizer, seed, etc.) are instructed to see the managers of their respective Farmers' Exchange.

### Seed Loan Bill Becomes Law As The President Signs It

President Roosevelt has signed the \$40,000,000 seed loan bill making a maximum of \$250 available to farmers who do not have security for obtaining loans elsewhere. County agents will be furnished detailed information within the next few days.

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### Effort Will Be Made To Find Jobs For Local Unemployed

In an effort to find jobs for the unemployed in the county, the U. S. Department of Labor will within the next few days have a representative in the county who will call upon all business men and industries. It will be the purpose of this representative to interview all business and your cooperation is asked in this matter. The following statement has been issued by the National Unemployment Service in regard to this matter:

"All Private Industries of Coffee County."

There will be a representative from this office to visit your place of business within the next few days with a questionnaire for you to sign. When the representative calls, this office will greatly appreciate your cooperation in granting the desired interview. Every place of business in Coffee County will be called upon. This is being done in the possibility of the firm employing more persons.

Land owners are urged to come to our office if in need of farm hands. We can refer persons who are qualified and in need of employment. There can be no expense at a later date that a land owner would have cultivated more and soke the vote of our citizens.

The main solution of ending the depression is placing persons in permanent employment. If you can add more employees to your staff, let us know. In the great task we are assisting in, we will be glad to select just the type of person you desire.

Let me remind you again that this office is not a C. W. A. office. It is a service office of placing persons in permanent or temporary employment and I ask the cooperation of the entire citizenship of Coffee County in this great task.

J. P. MORRISON, Manager, National Reemployment Service, Coffee County.

### Will Rogers Comes To Elba Theatre Again Sun. & Mon.

Heading the following week's entertainment at the Elba Theatre is Will Rogers in "Down to Earth," hailed as one of the greatest Rogers pictures yet produced. The world's leading humorist is at his best in "Down to Earth" and you are assured of excellent entertainment. Supporting him are Dorothy Jordan, from Rich and Mitty Kemp, together with co-stars that are favorites everywhere. The comedy with "Down to Earth" is "His Weak Moment."

Other pictures for the week are Thursday and Friday—"The Eagle and the Hawk," starring Frederic March, Cary Grant, Carole Lombard and Jack Oakie. Comedy, "Sing, Sister, Sing." Saturday—"Sunset Pass" and good comedy.

Sunday and Monday—"Down to Earth."

Tuesday-Wednesday, March 6-7—"Red-Tinted Story," Comedy, "I Yam What I Yam."

Rev. L. W. Tubb of Columbus spent Monday in Elba. He was accompanied home by Mrs. Tubb and little son, who have been visiting relatives in Elba.

Miss Wendie Moseley of New Brockton was the guest of Mrs. Gorton Connor last week-end.

### Dorsey Sez:

You can't go wrong on a new 1934 Chevrolet Car or Truck. You should see these great new models before buying—we'll be glad to demonstrate them to you.

We open at 7 a.m. and close at 6 p.m.

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ELBA, ALABAMA, THURSDAY, MARCH 1, 1934

## COFFEE COUNTY P-T. A. COUNCIL AND COUNTY TEACHERS ASSO- CIATION HELD JOINT MEETINGS

The second county educational rally of the year was held in Elba Saturday, with Elba, Pine Level, Curtis and Basin joint hosts.

The morning session, devoted to P-T. A. affairs, was directed by Mrs. W. S. Huey of Enterprise, county president. Mrs. Lamar Rainer of Elba welcomed the visitors and response was made by Mrs. R. L. Bates of Enterprise. Miss Mary England of the State Department of Education, made the address. Others who spoke briefly were Mrs. Huey, Miss Ouida Norton and Superintendent Rowe Watson, all of Enterprise.

C. W. Walden of Mr. Pleasant, Mrs. R. E. Williams of Kinston and Mrs. J. O. English of Elba also appeared on the program.

Delegates to the A. E. A. were named as follows: J. C. Dixon, Elba; W. A. Eason, New Brockton; H. T. Grace, Enterprise; Mrs. Grif Tullman, New Hope; Mrs. J. W. Kondrick, Curtis; Supt. Watson, Mr. Thompson, Fairview; A. C. Dunnaway, Kinston; Miss Dixie Lee, Elba.

Entertainment features, including music and readings, were presented by the Elba group.

Members and visitors present filled the Elba school auditorium and overflowed into the corridors.

Supt. Watson and Miss Emma Parris served as official hosts. A barbecue lunch was served at noon.

## Johnny Clark Dies As Truck Crashes Into Ga. Courthouse

ENTERPRISE, Ala., Feb. 23.—The funeral of Johnnie Clark, 38, who was killed in an automobile accident in Marietta, Ga., Wednesday night, was held from the First Baptist Church Friday at 2:30 p.m., with the Rev. R. E. Johnson, pastor, officiating.

Mr. Clark was employed as a truck driver by a local concern. He was instantly killed when his truck failed to take a curve and rammed into the courthouse at Marietta, Ga.

His brother-in-law, Truman Paul, was seriously injured in the same accident.

Mr. Clark moved to Enterprise from Elba seven years ago, during five years of which he was employed as a mail box driver between Enterprise and Troy. He was born and raised at Jack, in the northern part of Coffee County.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Elizabeth Paul Clark; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Clark, of Jack; two brothers, Oscar Clark of Jack and Will Clark of Elba; and two sisters, the Misses Clark, of Jack.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church, with burial in the Oak Hill cemetery.

## Mr. Willaby Seeks Place On County School Board

The Clipper calls attention to the formal announcement of Mr. J. L. Willaby for member of the County Board of Education which appears in our announcement column today.

Mr. Willaby is one of Northeast Coffee's most prominent citizens and is also well known in other sections of the county. He is well qualified for the office he seeks, and has always taken a leading part in public affairs. He has many friends who have urged him to enter the race and they predict a successful campaign for him.

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A minimum of 20 was forecast for Montgomery during Monday and early Tuesday morning, and Monday morning's minimum was reported at 33.

### A. C. Eiland Is Candidate For Senate From 25th Dist.

A. C. Eiland of Brantley is a candidate for the post as State Senator for the 25th Senatorial District, composed of Crenshaw, Coffee and Pike Counties, subject to the action of the forthcoming primaries.

Mr. Eiland is a grandson of one of Coffee County's pioneer citizens; is Mayor of Brantley, and is serving his term without paying him his salary back to the city, and he states that under the management that has been put into effect current city expenses are being paid and old debts are being liquidated.

Mr. Eiland is a World War Veteran and was awarded in line of duty while serving his flag overseas. He has taken an active interest in the community and is a member of Post No. 21 of Brantley, has served as Commander of that Post, at which time he and his business were awarded the Service.

Mr. Eiland states that for more than twenty years he has been a traveling salesman and spent from one to two days out of each week in Coffee County and he feels he is thoroughly familiar with the needs of this County, and for references he will be happy to have anyone who so desires to ask any merchant or business man in Southeast Alabama for twenty years he has been a SQUARE DEAL and he says that he is going to continue to serve them in the future as he has in the past.

Mr. Eiland states that he feels very close to the people of Coffee County and if elected will see that they get a square deal.

Mr. Eiland is a merchant and a farmer. He furnishes this place with a list of what he stands for and seeks the vote of our citizens.

### MR. EILAND'S PLATFORM

A full term free school—A new deal for the Boys and Girls. A five dollar Auto tag—a new deal for them.

A two thousand dollar home-tenant exemption.

An old age pension.

Stands for our present Income Tax law.

Good Roads and the maintenance of same.

I favor re-instating all voters upon payment of two years back tax.

I will represent the wishes of the voters on Prohibition.

I stand for the continuation of our present gasoline tax system, as during Coffee, Crenshaw and Pike an equal share of the State's levy on gas.

I will fight to the last ditch any SALLES or NUISANCE TAX.

I shall stand for rigid economy.

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(Paid political advertisement by A. C. Eiland, Brantley, Ala.)

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Mrs. Luther Vaughan spent the week-end at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. R. McArthur, at Bacon, Fla. She returned to Elba with Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie B. Wise, who were married Sunday.

Mr. O. S. Palmer of Montgomery was a visitor to Elba during the week-end.

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